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### THE MUNCIE

### **MLK Prayer Brunch Pulls Capacity** Crowd

An enthusiastic crowd of about 350 young and old, flocked Muncie Community Civic Center Team. Sat., March 22 for the Second Annual MLK Prayer Brunch, organized by the MLK Dream Team. The brunch was the result an effort by the Dream Team to spread Martin Luther King activities throughout the year. The diverse nature of the crowd was truly a

befitting tribute to the legacy of the civil rights people, black and white, leader and certainly bore witness to the good work and purpose of the Dream

> "I was especially impressed by the great mix of people. I think it proves that we can come together as a community. I liked the involvement of the young people, the camaraderie - the whole spirit of it. It was absolutely beautiful. I think it is going to get

bigger," said Margot Middleton, a business consultant and host of the "Around Muncie Today" TV show.

For a fee of \$5-00 per person, guests at the brunch were treated to a buffet-style meal and gospel music by a choir composed of singers from Christ Temple church and the First Church of God ECI. There were also performances by members

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Keynote Speaker James Perkins, Jr.

### BLACK COMMISSION OFFERS ACTING OPPORTUNIT



John Young-El

The Muncie Commission on the Social Status of Black Males is looking for African American actors and actresses for black history presentations in Muncie.

Those interested or needing more information should attend a 6 p.m. audition to be held April 10, at the South Madison Street Community Center (The Multi), 900 S. Madison St., Muncie.

previous experience is necessary said John Young-El, commission executive director, just interest and the desire to learn.

Young-El helped coordinate the effort to bring forth African American single person presentations from Indianapolis for the "Spirit of Freedom" programs for the past 3

Although program has presented to 5th grade students of Muncie Community Schools, fund raising has always been a hurdle for the Muncie

Funds are used to pay outsiders when local talent exists. The Muncie commission hopes to raise

awareness of the need for black history presentations.

Drama will be used as a dynamic teaching tool. Playwriters are also asked to come to the audition April 10.

Young-El said telling story is traditional part of the African American historical phenomenon. The commission envisions youths and adults of all becoming story tellers and having the opportunities to perform in short demonstrations.

### EDITORIAL

### From Broadway To MLK: renaming makes sense -

Renaming Broadway. one of Muncie's busier streets, to Martin Luther King Boulevard is long overdue. We applaud those behind this move to honor one of the country's most eminent sons. To us here, at The Times, the proposal is a no brainer. It is one around which Munsonians of all stripes, ethnicities, races, colors, religious and political beliefs should rally.

Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., felled by an assassin's bullet 31 years ago this month, died while supporting a sanitation workers' strike Memphis, Tenn. He is a man who wanted to make the United States of

America a better place for all people. He wanted to end oppression of man by man. He wanted to end all of racial discrimination.

He dared to dream of a country where each person would, in his own words, be judged by the content of his (or her) character, not the color of his (or her) color. He dared to dream of a country that would one day be at peace with itself by accepting all its people, regardless of their color. He believed very strongly in the U.S. Constitution and its to the dreams that are embrace of all people. living side-by-side in racial harmony and equality.

Dr. King preached practiced nonviolence. Even when he was attacked, prodded and provoked, he refused to veer from the road of nonviolence. Here was a man who stood head and shoulders. He talked of a better United States. where all of God's children would be able to live together in peace and harmony, where love of other human beings would replace the drivel, hate and scurrilous message from white supremacists and hate mongers.

Dr. King tried to live up enshrined within the U.S. Constitution and the Bill of Rights. He challenged all of us to be better than

essential goodness of human beings and the human spirits, regardless of what haters and racial segregationists preached.

We have noted the debate that has been going about whether Broadway should become Martin Luther King Boulevard. That issue will soon come before the Muncie City Council. Those who oppose the renaming, preferring to King name away from public sight, have dredged up nefarious excuses, such as: it would cost businesses too much to change their stationery, addresses and letterheads; let's name some streets after slain Muncie police officers; give the name to some street in the predominantly black Whiteley neighborhood, and so on and so forth,

For some of these writers, the opposition is racial: they cannot stand the idea of a major Muncie road being named after a black man, even though that man was a Nobel Peace Prize laureate and easily one of the most important and influential American figures of the 20th century.

Those pushing the idea of renaming Broadway have been. in our considered opinion, reasonable and understanding about the concerns of businesses along Broadway. They are willing to have the

we are. He believed in the decision made now, but with implementation of the change postponed until January, by which time most of the businesses would have exhausted their current supplies of stationery and letterheads. This move to rename Broadway is a wonderful opportunity for Munsonians to show that they are neither narrowminded nor unwilling to think outside the box.

We home those who keep the Martin Luther support this move will have the courage to show up at City Hall when the City Council takes up the issue. It's time for Broadway to transformed into Martin Luther King Boulevard. Let's do it--now.



Martin Luther King

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### Prayer Brunch continued dreams that are in me. from front page

of the PRIDE team. The main feature of the brunch, however, was the keynote speaker, James Perkins, Jr., the first African American mayor city of Selma, Ala.

his speech with a tribute the city. Sandra Leeks, to his wife, without whose support, he said, he would have given up the mayoral race when times got very hard. He alluded to the fact that his opponents subjected him to treatment too harsh to talk freely about. He described how he was only able to rise above his distracters by allowing God, and not himself, to work in his life. He spoke of how the black man invented the elevator because he had to carry the bags up the stairs and how the black woman invented the stroller because she was entrusted with the burden to take care of the nation's Perkins children. lamented the state of the economy, national and the growing deficit. He also gave the audience an insight into the nature of the challenges facing him when he indicated how much lower the unemployment rate in Muncie was compared to that facing Selma.

Lola McGregor, Dream Team committee responsible for organizing the prayer brunch said the event exceeded expectations. "It was very encouraging. It inspired me to keep going for the

Perkins is living proof that dreams can become a reality. My goal for next year is for even bigger and better things, though I'm not sure yet what they'll be," she said.

At the same of the civil rights hotbed occasion, Muncie mayor, Dan Canan, presented Perkins kicked off Perkins with the keys to director of the Indiana Civil Rights Commission, presented Judge Tanya Walton Pratt, chairman of the Martin Luther King Holiday Commission with the Martin Luther King, National Service Award.

Chairman of the MLK Dream Team, Bea Moten-Foster said that Perkins was the most dynamic and inspirational speaker she had ever heard in her life. "His speech was not only inspiring but motivating as well and had a lot of history. I could relate with him when he said he was there when all the injustices were going on in the south because I was there too. People want us corporate mismanagement to get him back here quickly so that the kids who were in school then could get the opportunity to meet him. He can offer them a challenge to not let anything keep them from reaching the stars," she said. Perkins, in his speech, pointed out that were it not for the co-chair of the MLK persistence of Moten-Foster, he would not have made it to Muncie. "Her cause and persistence is the reason I'm here today," he said.



Keith O'Neal and the Pray Brunch Choir.



Some of the guest at the Brunch.



Mr. and Mrs. Perkins sharing a humorous moment.

# WITNESS FOR JUSTICE

### ENDANGERED RESOURCE WATER BECOMING AN

By The Rev. Adora Iris Lee

affordable drinking water. day, who will not have access to safe and other people, on that same there will be I billion teeth, bear in mind that your face and brush your turn on the faucet to wash when you take up and Access to clean morning

environmental pollution. systems, as well as water and sanitation associated with aging problem contaminated. municipal tap water was periods Ga., have lived through Glade, Fla., and Atlanta. in cities such as Belle recent years, people living countries as well. developing nations, but in problem that occurs in and when their not just a IS prosperous often The

illnesses. and those with chronic women, the frail elderly such as babies, pregnant vulnerable populations, which can pose a serious water can result in waterborne threat illnesses tor

> resource by granting affordability of safe sanitation utilities. public corporations to manage authority to global protect this on their responsibility to governments are reneging moment concern. become drinking water At this very water has municipal precious pressing and

pay. those with the means to global marketplace to paper to be sold in the has become a commodity maximize profits. Water primary mission is to corporations soon be controlled by for human survival, could water, a basic necessity person, this means that like light bulbs and toilet For the average transnational whose

raised by the waterquestion that must be drinking public is: human good. The critical water is now considered a viewed as a human right, Instead of being

public by market-driven, human necessity, like water, be delivered to the "Should a basic

Moreover

for-profit corporations?"

Powell

to Manila, Philippines, are throughout the world. conglomerates, such as private speaking out against They are organizing and to this daunting question. responding affirmatively and Cochabamba, Bolivia from Detroit to Durban Communities water

ability to pay. many of whom lack the people every single day, to more than 300 million supplying water for profit Bechtel, which are San-Francisco-based RWE/Thames Water and German Vivendi Universal, the

companies. pay increased rates residents were unable to Detroit 40,000 shut-offs in water has resulted in over

Unclean drinking

pay the high prices region could not afford to demanded by private in the KwaZulu Natal when poor people living Africa's history occurred epidemic in The worst cholera South

Bernice

Jackson

and streams. contaminated wells, rivers drawing companies reverted to water from

French-based Suez and company

Privatization of alone when

imposed by for-profit

become involved so that

resource

century what oil was to the 20th century: the promises to be to the 21st has reported that "water Fortune magazine

community's drinking · How safe is my

or state? services in my city, town the water and sanitation Who owns and operates

the means to pay for it. water because they lack access to safe drinking community who lack Are there people in my

human rights and justice issue, but it is also a environmental health merely an economic and sanitation services is not of public issue. Now is the time to The privatization water and -

available and affordable our most precious natural to all. remains

stream." waters and righteousness justice roll down like prophet once said: "Let like an everflowing As one ancient

today "Water for All" campaign drinking water, join the do to advocate for access organization or family can community, faith group, to safe and affordable information on what your For

<www.citizen.org>.

substituting for Bernice is a guest columnist Iris Lee, ministry for Powell Jackson. United Church of Christ, Ecumenical Justice for the The Rev. Adora

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terrorist group. It [the not easy to go after a down a country, but it's from 9-11 into Saddam Hussein." fears and personalized basically taken all of our administration] Hussein. It's easier to take channeled all that fear into Saddam has

can backfire. Detroit feels that strategy Rev. Anthony of

arger circle. concerned about the much inner circle, but I'm really can kill Hussein and his perpetuator," he says. "We boys and girls who will do we do with those Iraqi to be answered as to what iberator, ook at us not as a "The question has but as a

question the leaders of peacemaking abilities and America." say, you have got to regardless of what people South Korea? We have or when North Korea hits when Israel hits Pakistan, some "What do we say of our

the United States on its Chicago, is a former top Vietnam War. involvement King when he challenged King Jr. and he was with aide to Dr. Martin Luther Methodist Church in pastor of Fenwood United Sampson, like Dr. Rev. Al Sampson in the

cannot carry the whole King, realizes that Blacks

old world involve young and demonstrations around the from the White lot of

> actions of George Bush. bullied into supporting the activists will not be Fletcher says anti-war their own government." people stand up against signal-when world. That is a great governments all over the standing up to their community. They White

says. "I'm obligated to this administration," he allegiance to anyone in "I don't owe any up-that's

patriotism." **Blacks Fear War** Drain Resources with Iraq would from Social Programs

Washington

divert resources from country because it would prospect of war with that Iraq, says many Africanat home. more important programs Americans oppose the 10-day peace mission to Fauntroy, just back from a Congressman m e Walter

from 1971 to 1990, said in the District of Columbia delegate to Congress from justice," Fauntroy, a health care, housing and things: income, education, and their families of five is robbing our children every bomb that explodes "We know that

to station troops there. As an interview. \$26 billion just to be able prepared to give Turkey former member of "They were

> out the debts of all 50 states," he explains. bottom line is that we are Student Loans, Medicaid, Pell Grants, Guaranteed spent there comes out of line here is that the money "That's truth. The bottom \$26 billion would wipe for the homeless. The health care, and housing

encourages ecumenica group of eight American ecclesiastical common social and fellowship in response to organization the Middle East Council Pilgrimage for Peace." ministers who traveled to chaired a most affected." The trip was sponsored by lraq on a Churches, Fauntroy multi-faith "Prayer needs that

a war with Iraq. population joins with Fauntroy in opposition to around the world. African-American More than half of

percent of Whites." of Hispanics and 73 compared with 67 percent military action in Iraq, African-Americans favor found, "Just 44 percent of for People and the Press, the PEW Research Center A recent report by

high margin of error-10 sample accounts for the 109 people. Of those polled responses was conducted Feb. 12-18 American respondents. percent-for African-Americans. That small were based of 1,254 Africanon survey the

Congress, I can tell you, percent higher or

> Iraq. percent of Blacks said percent lower than the favor military action in 4 to

same time. conducted around the lower in another poll Americans was even among Support for the war African-

margin of error of 3.2 supporting the war, with a and 62 percent of Whites supporting a possible war percent of 3.2 percent—showed 23 a margin of error of only Journal/Zogby poll—with Atlanta-Blacks

Iraqi people. terrorism, it will free the by claiming that not only defended any future war it help combat President Bush has

University of Georgia, Afro-American Studies Morrow, professor of history When Diane Batts at the

> action-that are harmful opposing affirmative

later, of Bush. safe for democracy." declaration of war against of Congress to seek a convened a joint session World War I. American public President Now,

actual number could be 10 That means the sort of hollow ring, probably has the same gift in liberating Iraq, it

notoriously not concerned administration

conducted Feb. 6-7. percentage points. It was

she thinks back to hears Bush make his case

words are linked to those Germany. His rationale: Wilson galvanizing the The world must be made Wilson's immortal 86 years Woodrow He for

bringing democracy as a Bush is talking about "When President

> many has little credibility with explains Morrow. "Bush about bringing full people in this country," citizenship rights to Black African

Americans." Washington, D.C.-based true with Damu Smith Black Voices for Peace, a founder and chairman of That's certainly

and actions—such pulling terror, it could start by experiments," says Smith. churches have the hand of the Klan, our experienced terrorism at wants to wage a war on If the Bush administration victims of police brutality bombed, we've been anti-war group. back from scientific been

says. protests to African-Americans, he While anti-war around the

based International Black predicts Nana Gyamfi, a increasingly marches will become demonstrators, masses organizations. Justice, a federation of 20 Coalition for Peace and chair of the Los Angelescountry have drawn of White Black, the

Gyamfi, a human rights putting them on," says those who have been they haven't felt akin to an anti-war sentiment, but desire to give a voice to [Black] people have felt a "I think that

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### Complied by Andre' Scott

### Jury convicts man in racially-motivated slayings, because

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. recommends death

and on a 10-2 vote slayings of a white couple of capital murder in the Black Birmingham man racially-motivated recommended the death A jury convicted a

2001, that prosecutors say guilty Friday of killing then "bro." Daniel the "n-word" began after Brodie called in an argument Sept. Loretta McCullough, John Brodie, 35, and Daniel, 28, was found Renard Marce 26, 39,

automatic appeal. prison without parole. A sentence Daniel to life penalty. the jury's recommended May 9. He's not bound by Circuit Judge Tommy Alabama triggers set sentencing for Jefferson County sentence He

the couple twice after apartment. the head. shoot both in the back of to return minutes later and slur. Daniel then left, only testified that Daniel shot drinking at the victims occurred during a night of Brodie apologized for the The Daniel denied the A killings witness

the witness, McCullough. Daniel said Thursday. He testified that charges on the stand Jackson, was the one who Brodie George and retribution, it was justice.

Jackson. Jackson went to he never told police silence he made with a pact of

of

arresting Daniel. comments Jackson's questionable police based their case on Katheree Hughes Jr. said police the next day. Defense lawyer before

begged the jury to show families Friday Carolynn apologized to the victims' Daniel's mother, Daniel, and

weeping. Carolynn Daniel said because I can't take it," might as well kill me, too the death penalty, you mercy on her son. "If you recommend

penalty. recommend the death before voting 10-2 to deliberated 80 minutes to convict Daniel. Jurors took less than 30 minutes whites and five Blacks The jury of seven

verdict, not the racial the deciding factors in the criminal background were the crime and Daniel's court that the brutality of A juror said after

nature of the crime.

prosecutor Brandon Falls with intentions of rape, and burglarizing a home possessing a stolen car undercover selling drugs to an pleaded guilty to In the past, Danie officer

jury's decision was not them," Falls said. "The and Loretta, he executed not simply murder John "The defendant did

> Because of Iraqi War Refuse to Retreat **Peace Activists**

WASHINGTON

becomes. mater how unpopular it support President George continue speaking out, no unpatriotic and vow to claims that they are peace activists reject Bush's invasion of Iraq, majority of Americans Even though the

obtained the release of Jackson delegation that Howard Jr., pastor of peace no matter what," Goodman from Syria. member of the Jesse Newark, Bethany Baptist Church in says Rev. M. William peace, you speak for Lt. N.J., and Rober

inspired to speak out even crazy. I feel especially regard for their lives. I more strongly against the think that is completely shows that you have no the troops are deployed one speaks for peace as "Some say when

or capturing the capital of and awe" bombing raids about more than "shock (NAACP), says the war is Colored National Association for Detroit branch of the Anthony, president of the Advancement of Rev. Wendel People

Iraq. "And now we're attacking leadership," he explains nation has looked to for the nation that every America has been

> ago, we propped him up Hussein at all. Many years means condoning Saddam anything to us. I am by no a nation that hasn't done

engaging in war." our nation as it relates to questioning the policy of me American because I am ago. That does not make seeds that we sowed long him up. We're reaping the and now we have to clean

"If you are for the war.

a margin of error of only Journal-Constitution, with

The

Atlanta

that took us into Iraq, not preemptive strike. the orders of President the people who arrived on he's against the policies Lewis made it clear that against the United States. of an immediate attack mankind. launched It

African-American

think

Americans. percent

violence. But since the abhor war

military." to support our young men and young women in the will support and continue

unpatriotic the war is much lower Whites Americans than among among Iraq show that support for and its allies stormed into before the United States Polls conducted African-

A poll by the Pew

supporting the soldiers anti-war activism and right balance between struggles to strike the many African-Americans, John Lewis (D-Ga.), like who are called on to fight Representative survey has a margin of compared to 73 percent of military force in Iraq. supported the percent. error of plus or minus 10 White Americans. The African-Americans found that 44 percent of People and the Press Research Center for the

use of

precedent to invade dangerous place for al at this point, Lewis says sorry, that we have arrived country without the threat believe it sets a bac troublesome to me that we world is a much more war began], I think the in a statement. "After [the "I am sorry, very

> war, compared to 62 strongly supported the only 23 percent of Blacks 3.2 percent, reported that

are a peace-loving people "This war goes against what we believe in Lewis says. "Americans as a democratic nation," and

National Alliance Against people are being used for Repression. Racism and Politica executive director of the fodder," says James Tate, community because our war] more than any other community opposes it [the

public opinion. president of TransAfrica Bush of manipulating Forum, accuses President Bill Fletcher Jr..

chumped us," administration "I think the Bush he says.

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conflict has commenced,

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the sign immediately," for the people and remove continued from page 7.

was upset that the issue is Foreman said. Jewel Devereaux

still being debated after

adults can not come to to our children and how message are we sending said. "What kind of years ago," Devereaux some resolve?" resolution when we as do we teach them conflict several weeks. been removed 40 "The sign should

ankles," she added. need a noose around my shackles around history just as much as I to remind me of our or "I don't need a sign chains and my building

and Lee Alcorn, president half, Keliher, Lipscomb, Rights, met to discuss the Advancement of Civil of the Coalition for the Price, Foreman, Stovall issue. For an hour and a attempt to resolve the committee meeting in an session followed a recent The emotional

at the meeting. down and let's move forward," Lipscomb said "Cut it out, take it

remove the sign also feasibility of removal. brought in to look at the on marble structure was involves costs. An expert "I don't know decision to

one piece," said Judge not you can get it out in displayable or whether or anything whether or not there is favored removal, although Keliher, who said she much

> an acceptable solution." that would end up being and putting up a plague if in favor of removing it proposal in the end. "I'm voted for Price's "Both groups were

said he may soon bring president Bobby Lydia Dallas NAACP concert with." about some other county get this behind us," said issues that we can work in Alcorn. "We've talked resolution so that we can trying to get to some

Justice in to investigate the U.S. Department of "To me, it's the juvenile and legislative budget deficit, along with county's \$15 billion Price spoke of the

that shouldn't be there," swastika in a workplace same thing as having a

said Lydia. "I think the people working in the things looming."

should

be

properly, others disagreed has been dealt with offended by it." Keliher felt that the matter While Judge

with immediately and the should have been dealt talking about this issue. It shouldn't even be here the Civil Rights Act of that were outlawed with discussing obscene signs it a great day having to be down here in 2003, 1964," said Foreman. "We "I would never call

is a former president of signs removed." Rev. Stovall, who

"It shouldn't have this long,

forthrightly address it." community African very disrespectful to the now," said Stovall. "It the move it's making to get the county to make kind of pressure in order shouldn't have taken this became a power play and American 01

county affairs can be resolved so that other they want the issue totally All parties agreed subject of a "Dallas Weekly" cover story

"Etched Stone,

resulted.

"We've got a number of of issues," said Price. issues as examples. "There's a myriad

away from the sign itself changing and placed more represents. emphasis should be taken He said what on

that created the sign and signs. School zones are create said Price. the sign, it's the symbol," we should be marshalling there. It's the environment because there's a school not created because you Environments create just put a sign up, but "I still say it's not themselves. "Signs don't

the Dallas SCLC, agreed. Lipscom

remove the sign. sentiments, saying that's concurred with Price's all the more reason to

you're in White America or White Dallas," he said. always there because woman, that sign is Black man or Black in the morning being a is that when you wake up "The greater sign

forget that." "You can't ever

The signs were the

discovered the uncovered businessman Robert Pitre January 29), after Dallas

and commissioners' engravings. meetings Several protests heated court

since

the elected officials appeared of African American voted to remove the sign, historical reminder. A poll sign or leave it as a whether to remove the in the Feb. 19 edition; 10

believe it." But, if we show it to them, then they but many of them don't what we went through, Fantroy. "We tell kids councilman through," said Dallas city know what we had to go while four said keep it. "I want my son to

from our past." will believe it. "We can't get away

### When it comes to lost Black children, the white media is missing

forgotten children. children, with her disappearance national press coverage is for their missing parents who are left to ask many African-American last year. But there are about Smart that began the return of heavy month ordeal, it marked to her parents after a nineweek and safely returned Smart was found last where the news coverage When Elizabeth America's

for

addressed the debate of articles in The Weekly have since Follow-up missing in 2002. reported missing in 2000; 01 Missing and Exploited 2001; and 1,946 reported 1,256 reported missing in children reported missing African-American 1984 there were 9,926 DeAnna Taflin, Children spokeswoman National Center NCMEC; According to the

1,207

James provide the public with the missing child. For dn the necessary resources to investigators to provide the missing child, as well critical information about example, the media can part in the effort to find coverage plays a crucial motivate missing, When a child turns police media

the investigation. Donnarriah names, Alexis Patterson, and became household attention from the press received Samantha Runnion have Danielle van Dam and cases of Elizabeth Smart, However, while the enormous Finley,

coverage. have received no press disappearances of Troy Johnson of Alaska, which Isaiah Brooks in Milwaukee or Consider the recent if any, press coverage Bradley received limited Tionda and Diamond Wilson, Jahi Turner, and Brittany Williams, Rilya and Malcolm

News: "It's quite clear that published by the Fairness editor for Extra!, the (FAIR), tells Amsterdam & Accuracy in Reporting journal of media criticism Jim Naureckas, the

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on March 29. creator Maulana Karenga Angeles in Leimert Park is planning a Black antigroup, chaired by Kwanza cultural and social change Organization US, a Black headed by Martin Luther Leadership Conference Southern protest in III, includes and coalition Christian the Los

beginning April 25. March and Concert" in day "Great Black Peace group is planning a twofour weeks later, Smith's On the other coast, about Washington,

active duty. percent of the soldiers or 44-year-old age group 12 percent of the 18-to-Although Blacks are only the U.S. goes to war concerned about whether African-Americans are 22 a reason to be African-Americans

the military. will never serve a day in many White students who comes in contact with does his University of Georgia, as teaches history at the African-American who John Morrow, an wife, Diane.

do and they're all hawks," middle class and well-tosouthern students who are numbers of tired of being down here teaching get sick and White large

were "chicken" or scared on the prospect of war yet people who are hawkish led by "chicken hawks," clamor for war is being Ironically, the

> opportunity to fight. quick to point out that Peace activists are removed.

Majority Whip Roy Blunt House Majority Leader Speaker Dennis Hastert, Senate Majority leader military service. Neither deferments to used student and marriage in 1968 rather than serve Texas Air National Guard President Bush joined the Tom Delay, nor House Whip Don Nickles, House Jim Frist, Senate Majority President Richard Cheney active duty. Vice avoid

served in the military. commanders in Many top military

to war with Iraq. reservations about going of State Colin Powellincluding now Secretary administrationsoutspoken. Civilians are even more George Ronald Reagan H. expressed W. Bush and

New York organization this war has grown far that helped plan the Constitutional Rights, the director of the Center for Vietnam," observes Ron quicker "The opposition to than with executive

numbers." three years in before you "With Vietnam, it was had these ministers' trip to Iraq. kinds of

"White Only" Sign Dallas Divided On DALLAS Decision

The "White Only" sign on second floor of a

> county building is not aur. Black Power sign into the

are the people who want it going away. And neither

favor of keeping the sign Price led to a 4-1 vote in Commissioner John Wiley recommendation Records Building; walls at the Dallas County engraved into the marble Only" etchings long the removal of the "White Black activists calling for opposition from several while longer. won't happen for yet a everyone was looking for compromise and healing Despite strong fixture. reason for its original explaining the intent and we'll fix undisturbed, adding that said the African

Commissioner Jim

historical ramifications. that will describe its accompanied by a plaque Margaret Keliher voted to commissioners and Judge in its place. the o u n lesson to all people.

American community people in the African what the majority of the said it does not matter court has done is simply "What the commissioner's Organizations for Justice said Rev. Charles Stovall. we're not going away," stance on this issue, but commissioner's hard "I really regret the of Unified

says." opposing ballot may be name behind the may not be surprising, the While the 4-1 vote

Lipscomb, who thrust a former city councilman Al Mayfield, chambers several Blacks in the down. In an ironic twist, voted to take the sign Kenneth Mayfield who was Commissioner applauded

remained undaunted from Meanwhile, Price Pitre,

Records Building be left sign in the Dallas County that the "White Only" member. "My decision is preserve it, review it and landmark for the future," use it as a barometer and "My only real option is to his original position. court's lone American

teaching a historical his proposal is best in Price insisted that

the sign and called for its outlived," Mr. Price said. unfortunately has not yet time, while "While some have decried completely "The vestige of outdated been

our heads visibly and will continue to hang over spirit of Jim Crow laws "The evidence and the decide with the latter. My inclination is work is left to be done progress but much more hailed it as a fitting ugly past, others have represents a part of our reminder that there's been removal because

including Jordan Pitre, the see the sign removed, pasts. We neither shrink vehemently their desire to Seven of the eight history," Price continued. nor run away mistakes of our collective children live beyond the invisibly until

in January. discovered the markings businessman 10-year old son of Robert the Dallas

come down forever." stinks and it needs young Pitre. "This sign dead rat in the wall, it starts to stink," said "If you leave

stature in the African comfortable with Price's commissioner support of his fellow Jackson expressed his Commissioner Price with American community.

a marker

proud of but need to history that we can't be significant part of our or shouldn't happen. I do judgment of what should think I can sit here in said Jackson. "I don't whatever is his decision," we have

representation challenged Leadership Conference president of the Dallas reclaim it." Southern Joyce Foreman Christian sharply Price's

speaking for me. on this issue, he's not Foreman. "And certainly community," said does not speak for the "John Wiley Price

would do the right thing commissioner's belongs to the people, all the people." "I would property, a "building that Building the County Records significant point is that She that is said public

from

stated

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### I 7 T S

daughters, Mary Mrs. Abie Hathaway and their guests for a few days James Holland had as and and relatives. time where they spent some and Clarksville, Tenn., from Hopkinsville, Ky., The visiting

Howard Nelson and Mr. Irene, of Indianapolis. granddaughter, Constance Mrs. Ralph Mr. and Mrs

Virginia,

Pettiford have returned to

church.

The Men's Club

7:30 p.m. Friday at the meeting will be held at Church. A regular church

Prairie View Farm. the guests of Mr. and Mrs. in Morristown they were Knoxville, Tenn. While trip to Morristown and William Nelson at their their homes from a motor Household of Ruth

p.m. at the Union Baptist

South Hackley Street Mrs. N.J. Cooley on at the home of Mr. and Sunday from 4 to 7 p.m. the annual garden party 643 and 4618 will hold Jerusalem Church of God

Crumes 1812 E. Highland at the home of Mrs. Lottie Friday beginning at noon Church will hold a fish fry of the Union

The

New

returned to their home Mrs. Garret and have Mrs

> Saturday at 713 E. Second rummage sale all day in Christ will hold a

Street.

at the Antioch Baptist meet Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. Missionary Society will Senior with Stockard and Mrs. John with his cousins, Mrs days in the city visiting Va., is spending a few Waller of Berwind, W Ben shobe, Mrs. Andrews William Henry

Hurley C.

Lucas. will meet Friday evening Household of Ruth 643 in its hall on East Willard Golden Link

will meet Saturday at 7:30 Baptist Church. evening at the Mt. Zion present a program Friday Harmonaires quartets will Harmony The Queens and the of

Missionary Club 2

Baptist

The devotional theme will Missionary Society will Junior Missionary Chorus. will be furnished by the Baptist Church. 3 p.m. at the Calvary observe Women's Day Sunday with a program at The General Music

Compiled By

Goodall



Community Christian." Two-minute talks "Making

guest speaker. convention, will be the Northeastern Missionary Marion, president of the societies of the city. Mrs representatives of the Anna Mae Head various be given missionary

Broaddus, pastor of the The Rev. I.P.

of by church in Indianapolis. will be served at the morning services. Dinner immediately after the will leave from the church Sunday at 3 p.m. Cars Street in Indianapolis Baptist Church on Blake worship at the Mt. Olive and his chorus, Antioch Baptist Church

1954, in the Muncie Star.' "Published July 9

# USDA Rural Development Revises Loan Area Boundaries

County. County, according to Judy programs in : Madison eligible the boundaries of the area considering a revision to Development in Delaware Presley, Development housing Development USDA for Community Rura Rura

concerning the proposed

Road 600 West and intersection of County

through USDA urban area are not associated with an exceed 10,000 and which population that does not communities that have a open county, towns, and rural areas that include generally available only in Development Housing Rural loans will be effective April 29

available at the USDA ineligible boundary is proposed Blvd, Anderson, Indiana. at 1917 E. University Rural Development Office Comments A map showing the eligible/

will revision to the boundary comments received by April 14, 2003. Rural Development Comments Anderson, Indiana 46012. Rural Development, 1917 Development Manager, Judy Presley, Community University Blvd., consider and nust the the be

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North and County Road of County Road 500 644-4249 Ext.4 contact USDA For more information, Development at (765)

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SONG HITS OUT EGYPTIAN POP AGAINST U.S. INVASION OF IRAQ

song called "Attack On latest release - an anti-war has struck gold with his worker turned pop star An Egyptian laundry Cairo, March 19 (GIN) -

Amin.

Abdul

thank us," said Abdul

actions."

newspapers," the Egyptian street and Rehim. composer Shaaban Abdul whatis "expresses the opinion of The written song

"A war against Iraq is not song include the chorus: Iraq are the victims." the solution, the people of The lyrics of the

their eyes on the oil." invading Iraq: "They have America's motivation for Arab world, think about Arab world, as well as the what many in the nonthere." It then articulates "there are lots of weapons instead," the song says, mass destruction "Go inspect Israel

March 19 (GIN) - Black

By Gabriel Packard

Johannesburg

are buying it. It struck a SAPA. "Young and old "There's big demand for this tape," about Iraq." sensitive chord by talking Samir told news agency Cairo music seller Bahgat

company.

song is a hit not just in Egypt, but across the footage of funerals in Iraq Egyptian radio, and the on heavy rotation all over television stations. The video - which includes accompanying is shown on private "Attack On Iraq" is music

> us from Saudi Arabia, invaded by Iraq in 1990. Kuwait and from Iraq to from Palestine, from Kuwait, Arab world - including "People are calling which was hope

uprising. That song was peak of the Palestinian had another hit during the Shaabulla as he is known, Rehim's manager Wahid Two years ago, Rehim, IO Gencor last year

(Mussa was then Egypt's Love Amr Mussa." called "I Hate Israel And SOUTH AFRICA: MINEWORKERS other respiratory diseases can cause lung cancer and a fiberous mineral which were exposed to asbestos African mineworkers many thousands of South During the 1970's,

foreign minister.)

ZAMBIA'S FLOOD CARRY FOOD TO CHOPPERS ZIMBABWE VICTIMS

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from a South African awarded compensation mineworkers have been South Afirca's history and settlement of its kind in This is the largest million compensation won more that \$60 exposed to asbestos have mineworkers who were is the first time black region of Zambia last which struck the Gwembe victims of a flash flood helicopters has provided military responded to neighboring Zambiaís call for help and (GIN)- Zimbabwe has

and their families, and 1,600 existing claimants which will benefit all agreed to the payout admitting any liability company Gencor, without investment holding Last week the to land vehicles. President

million for future claims. also sets aside "This settlement

said a National Union of responsibility for their business as usual in the longer go on "that companies can no Mineworkers statement, of over \$5 avoiding with away." district," 1,239

group of 7,500 claimants proceedings. mining company Cape Plc who sued UK-based million will be paid to a Just and joined to the

Lusaka, March 19 Zambian to reach Vice

drinking water and 450 are currently inaccessible tons of food to areas that helicopters will carry Kavindele said that the At least 19 people Enoch

sends a clear message," well as Zimbabwe during have hit Mozambique as cyclone and rains that have been killed in the

the people of Gwembe the past two weeks. "The "Over 1,679 households situation is really bad for farmland has been washed have been affected while said Kavindele. hectares 10

for the Zambian people. act of "care and kindness" Zimbabwe's gesture an Webster Mulubisha called management official Zambian disaster

By Gabriel Packar BID TO RETURN TO COMMONWEALTH ZIMBABWE LOSES BRITISH

prevent it. Secretary and tried to opposed the decision by many African leaders December even though has been extended unti Commonwealth of nations exclusion from the Harare, March 17 Commonwealth -Zimbabweis

of land from white few years. farmers during the past Zimbabweis confiscation reason for the extension is McKinnon says that a key Secretary-General Don Commonwealth malpractice. reported imposed one year ago for lifted last week, was The ban, due to be election

the rule of law, respect for human rights, democracy Commonwealth, such as concern from other issues of and cannot be separated situation in Zimbabwe reform is at the core of the "The issue of land to the

> McKinnon in a statment. and the economy," said

discuss of state from South group - comprising heads readmission. Australia - was set up to Africa, Nigeria, and Zimbabwe three-nation

2003. all leaders across the in Nigeria in December of Government Meeting the Commonwealth Heads wish to review the Commonwealth" the issue with "virtually said that after discussing Olusegun Obasanjo both Nigerian South African President Zimbabwe situation] at Heads of Government broadly held view is that concluded that readmission, McKinnon wanted Thabo But even though Mbeki Zimbabwe's President "the he

officials. Mugabe and 76 of his top of President the U.S. froze the assets criticized government sanctions nations, mostly former from the Commonwealth Last week, for example Zimbabwe's latest in a series of British colonies - is the a loose group of 54 This extended bar widely againsi Rober

By Gabriel Packard U.S. INVASION OF PRESIDENTS SAY HARM AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT **IRAQ WOULD** AFRICAN

Lagos, March 17 (GIN) continue on page II

### AFRICAN BRIEFS

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The presidents of Nigeria, Senegal, and South Africa have asked the U.S. not to invade Iraq; they say that well as having "monumental adverse effects" on Africa's development, such an invasion "will have destructive and irreversible effects on the delicate situation in the Middle East and on global peace in general."

All three of these African leaders have spoken out before against threatened U.S. military action in Iraq, but this statment - made in a letter sent March 15 to U.S. President George Bush, UN Secretary-General Kofi Annan, and Iraqi leader Saddam Hussein is their most powerful and direct so far.

Guinea, Cameroon

and Angola were lobbied heavily over the last month by both France and the U.S. to either support the war initiative or oppose it. Despite reported promises of increased aid and other benefits, none of the governments has given the U.S. the confirmation it was seeking for the war initiative.

### **EX-PAT AFRICANS NOW LOOK HOMEWARD FOR** JOBS, BETTER LIFE

By Gabriel Packard

London, March 17 (GIN) -Thousands of expatriate Africans attended the AfricaRecruit Job Fair in London last week in hope of finding a job in their native

continent.

T h Commonwealth Business Council (CBC) - which organized the job fair in association with the New Partnership for Africa's Development (Nepad) hopes that the newly established AfricaRecruit project will help to reverse the so-called "brain drain."

In the brain drain, African executives and professionals leave their home countries for jobs abroad: this costs the African economy billions of dollars every year.

"A shortage of available managers and professionals is holding back investment, job creation and improved service for Africa, and up to 40 percent of African professionals are now outside living continent," said

statement by AfricaRecruit, which also held its inaugural seminar last week.

CBC established AfricaRecruit September 2002 to help the African diaspora, governments. employers to work together and fight the brain drain. In the first six 20,000 months. professionals have registered with AfricaRecruit, many of them through the website FindAJobInAfrica.com.

The 40 African employers that exhibited at the job fair included Kenya Airways, African cell phone giant MTN, banking and group Barclays Africa, and they attracted 3,500 African ex-pats over two days.

Professionals at the job fair had a variety of reasons for wanting to

return to Africa. "The taxes here [in England] are killing me, life's too stressful and the standard of life in Nigeria is improving fast," said Eric Afolabi, an IT contractor who left Nigeria for Essex, England 13 years ago. "For one month's rent in Essex I can get a mighty mansion for a year in Lagos."

"There is perceived glass ceiling against Nigerians here in the UK," says Coca-Cola Nigeria's head of human resorces Yemi Ade John. "But if they come back to Nigeria - with all its problems - then the sky is the limit."

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### BLACK CAUCUS FOUNDATION PROMOTES HOMEOWNERSHIP

Congressional Caucus Foundation Inc. President Weldon J. Rougeau recently participated in a JP Morgan Chase event during which \$500 billion was committed to provide increased home financing for minority borrowers across the full economic spectrum.

JP Morgan Chase is a major partner in the "With CBCF's Ownership, Wealth" Initiative.

h e Congressional Black Caucus Foundation embraces homeownership at

EDISON, N.J.-- as a key way to Black implement one of its major strategic goals, economic development. While almost 73 percent of white Americans own their homes, fewer than 48 percent of African Americans do. Every major indicator that measures the wealth of a people goes up when homeownership factored into the equation. Thatis why I am here to support JP Morgan Chase in this effort," said Rougeau.

The CBCF is conducting a pilot to reach out to young people nation's this

Historically Colleges and Universities (HBCUs), who have great earning power and little debt. The pilot phase of this effort, called the "Student Homeownership Opportunity Program" or (SHOP), was launched in February at Jackson State University in Mississippi and Xavier University in La. After launching the pilot this spring, CBCF plans to tour all 116 Historically Black Colleges and Universities with this message.

SHOP will be accompanied by a multifaceted media blitz aimed at 18-to-35 year-olds.



CBCF President Weldon J. Rougeau (R) speaks with HUD Secretary Mel Martinez during a break at the JP Morgan Chase Meeting.

The message is, "Don't build debt, build wealth!"

Two years ago, the Congressional Black Caucus Foundation Inc.

noted that, despite all the gains African Americans have made socially and economically, there are continue on page 13.







# DeAsia is in the spotlight this week

By Charles Gulubane



**DeAsia Bryant** 

born assistant. Deering, a certified nursing an electrician, and Kathy Muncie to Rahsaan Bryant, Nov. Bryant DeAsia Bryant was ,00 1995, in was

School for her first grade. to Grissom Elementary and then moved on last year served as her kindergarten Elementary School in what environment at Garfield introduced to the school becoming 'Student of the reading homework and also Award for returning daily Grade Reading Homework impression, earning a First immediately

Month' for December.

mother. bus," said Deering, her done her homework on the she'll tell me she'd already homework. Cd-Rom and doing her reading those big books on "She just loved Sometimes

book subject is math. Rugrats' Christmas Vacation". Her favorite Bryant's favorite "The

is her class teacher. 2002 to 2003. Mr. K. Styles on her scholastic tests for rated in the top 99.9 percent recognition. She was also Principal's she made the A/B honor roll was On Jan. given Award 17, 2003, the

Church. Calvary Missionary Baptist church. She is a member of attends Sunday school at her game of basketball and time she enjoys a good Scouts. During her spare member of the Girl At school, Bryant is

and plays basketball. part of a step dance group and Girls club where she is Bryant frequents is the Boys Another place

the house and likes looking She is very helpful around always makes me laugh. and kindhearted person and "She is a very thoughtful her mother for a role model Bryant looks up to

At Grissom, Bryant made

an

me so proud," said Deering. everyday for her. She makes after kids younger than she I thank the Lord

grows up. children's doctor when she Bryant wants to be a

### **BOOK REVIEW**

### ABUSED CHILD IS HERO OF FIFTH BORN

Fifth Born Zelda Lockhart, Author Atria Books, Publisher

A tear-rendering novel of rejection, molestation, abuse and family skeletons that forever change the destiny little Odessa Blackburn.

Born the fifth of eight children, Odessa is caught in the middle of sibling rivalry and family secrets that no child should have to bear.

The love that she so desperately desires is denied. She is labeled a crybaby.

She eventually becomes a caregiver to younger siblings, as she continues to watch her fathers' drunken fits of wonit have to face it

rage and her motherí acceptance of his actions.

Even summer trips to the family home in Mississippi offer no real relief for Odessa, who is beaten and verbally abused.

She often thinks of her grandmother who died when Odessa was 3. Then, one summer a longhidden secret is revealed. It offers Odessa the acceptance and freedom she had always longed for.

strange confrontation and revelation of her true beginnings brings Odessa \$24. to a crossroad, where she newfound meets heaviness.

But this time she

alone, hiding in the depths of a created reality.

Odessa won't ever have to be or feel alone again.

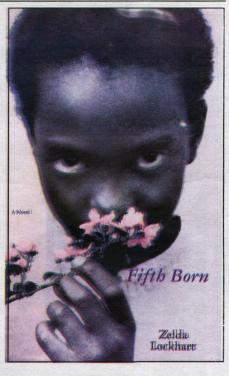
This 210-page novel, set in the 1970s, is the first for Zelda Lockhart whose poetry, fiction and essays have appeared in publication, including WordWrights, Sojourner, Calvx and Sinister Wisdom.

Lockhart is of African and Native American descent. She lives in Ithaca, N.Y. with her two children.

The book sells for

Contact your local library and bookstore as to its' availability.

-- By Judy Mays



Homeownership Congressman William J. continued from page 11.

still major barriers to homeownership. The numbers told a story that could not be ignored.

Approaching its third year of operation. WOW now homeownership activities underway in 22 states and WOW Partners are actively involved in every activity.

"With commitment we have to the SHOP program and the WOW Initiative, we know we will reach our goal of a million new African American said homeowners."

Jefferson, chairman of the "We have CBCF. acknowledged the difficulty of this task, and have embarked upon a road that we hope will move us along more quickly."

The CBCF recently adopted its strategic plan that touts economic development as one of its primary goals. Foundation believes that stressing homeownership as a tool for building wealth, more African Americans can participate fully in the opportunities offered by American society. SHOP and WOW are viewed as useful tools for building a sound economic future.

"African Americans

can participate fully

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offered by American

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### BRIE

race is a factor." cable news is going for, so definitely the audience the Naureckas make a sellable story." newsroom of what will calculation ratings booster. There's a question of what will be like to feature. It's a missing-child stories they preferences in reporting The white audience is People will identify with continued from page 8 media has certain of their own race continues: in the

and shared his views on children through his children. Washington is and public relations lacks the money for legal particularly when a family plays a role as well agrees that race is clearly American children. He coverage afforded to the disparity of news with Amsterdam News cards. Washington spoke comic books and trading African-American attention bring more nationwide currently making plans to hero Omega Man. He's African-American comic also the creator of the and the father of seven Locate Alexis Patterson spokesman for Operation Washington is the national factor but says class also Activist Alonzo 01 missing African-

a difficult time identifying missing children. "I with African-American he said that the media has children who also don't get national attention, but he recognizes there are Washington says poor white

> 2000, but people forgot has been missing since Richmond, Virginia, and attention. She's from with Brittany Williams. be this national attention says Washington. "You and it's a big problem," same amount of coverage children on every level handled for missing Black in the clearly who is a child with AIDS would think there would They just don't get the There's a great disparity needs way cases are and blatantly. medical

connection to missing producers that in many cases, white know it." Washington says feel

white children that they

feel with missing

Black children.

child."" white Elizabeth Smart, they say producers look at missing 'This could have been my children like "When white

television," talking about this issue on African-American parent as white parents do. But their children just as much parents value the lives of African-American invited panelists are rarely missing children, the when talk shows discuss Washington. you don't see the grieving African-American He also notes that explains

do believe that race and tells Amsterdam News, "I with the Poynter Institute journalism ethics expert Dr. Bob Steele, a

racism quite processing in covering decision-making class can enter into the

the

people of color. "Most serve." Steele continues, of the communities they represent newsrooms newsrooms are very terms of being made up of communities they serve in representative newsrooms socioeconomic [makeup] In terms of class, most leadership is very white. white, and particularly the He says most are of the don't ·not the

certain types of stories based on their personal inappropriately rule out stories to cover, they will reporters debate what lens of race and class." "When editors and

missing and we don't Black children who are she's missing. We have

kids when compared to used as often for Black as an example of the the Amber Alert system to the initial ads for the white children and points Amber alert system is not racism. He argues that the Washington uses Alert

creative ways to kids, you can't find them. coverage and no Amber Alert," says Washington. But there was no press missing kids from Alaska. this week, we had two minority children. "Just contained no images of We're forced to find "If you don't know these

stereotyping.

child, police investigators an child case, particularly for attention on a missing there's are not inspired to devote little

> the necessary resources example

missing children cases." police searched through. found two days later not area. But the body was canvassing a wooded body of Precious Doe by hours looking for the police spent three to four Washington far from the area the said

searching for her body." girl, they would have had But if this were a white looking for Precious Doe only three to four hours "The police spent passion

missing Black children." advocacy around these to erect campaigns and

that find

African-American media

> men would not have

told the Amsterdam News and save their lives. A undercover police officers the dangers confronting died," explains Adams. the Staten Island shooting not at liberty to discuss that the department was Department spokesman procedures help alleviate He said that proper York Police

make them care. We have that much, but we have to investigators don't care the media and police continues: "It seems like Washington undercover work, but also not aware of what is really this, because the public is open public hearings on that there needs to be says Adams. "We think operation were terrible," the discrimination." going on - the dangers of the tactics used in this to policing is tactics, and "The cornerstone

factor in cops' death Discrimination a

deaths of Detective James dangerous job in the New dangers involved a harsh reminder of the Adams maintains that the in Law Enforcement. But Eric Adams of 100 Blacks the undercover" says Lt. York Police Department is undercover work. that went bad, it served as undercover gun operation Island last week during an shot and killed in Staten undercover officers were Black most

He said that when have the proper procedures should not have died. If "Those two young men Rodney Andrews could Nemorin and Detective

> have to do with race? It has everything to do with AmNews: baiting. criticism that he's race Adams dismisses He "Does this tells

officers because of racial subjected to greater risk undercover officers are that African-American executive director of the than white undercover Union, agrees and says New York Civil Liberties Norman Siegal,

because of the use of severe in law enforcement stereotyping are more consequences of racial Siegal says, "The

were in place, those two been avoided investigation and vice are narcotics, firearms undercover police officers nterested officers can NYPD that Some units within

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enter a unit in two ways: as an undercover officer or as an investigator.

Adams explained that while the undercover officers do the dangerous work and remain in close proximity to criminals, investigators conduct the investigations and do the clerical work. However. Adams maintains that African-Americans are steered towards the more dangerous work undercover while more white officers claim the investigator jobs.

Adams says that "85 to 90 percent of undercover police officers are either African-American or Latino, and percent of investigators are white. It's the only place in the department where you will find African-Americans in the majority."

He says that for over 20 years, there's been a struggle to improve the conditions for undercover officers. he points fundamental problems that compromise the safety of undercover officers. For example, Adams says the electronic equipment used to listen to conversations taking place between undercover officers and criminals is outdated.

"There are units in the department such as Internal Affairs that are given better equipment to conduct their investigations, but ... African-Americans get the outdated equipment."

explains Adams.

But NYPD's Deputy Chief Michael Collins says that with all technology there are limitations. "You have to consider limitations like distance, weather and if construction there's activity in the vicinity, along with other factors that can affect the equipment's effectiveness," explains Collins. "We're also limited in that the equipment has to be easily concealed and can't be too powerful. There are departmental guidelines in powerful transmitter can be." He insists that the department is continually looking at new products for undercover officers.

Adams says undercover cops are sometimes forced to work beyond the departmental policy limit of three years that was put in place to prevent burnout from working in a high-stress environment. He says that after three vears. undercover can put in a request to become an investigator.

"You have undercover who have been working for 5, 6, and 7 years begging to get out because they're burned out." says Adams.

But Collins says that undercover can leave the undercover unit at any time. "The department requests that undercover officers put in a three-year minimum, but they can opt to leave the unit at any time. Many stay longer than the three years

because they want to. But if they wish to leave, the depart ment accommodates them where we can," explains Collins.

Adams also points to an apparently flawed departmental policy that places African-American undercover on the front lines of the drug war in "buy and bust" operations because thev assimilate in targeted communities better than white undercover officers. "But what about the white communities? undercover operations take place in the white communities as often as in the African-American community."

Adams continues:
"We are not against enforcing a drug-fighting strategy, but it can't be located in one community and ignored in another. It is disproportionate. No one is looking at the Wall Street area, but there's drugs there too."

Collins disagrees:
"We use undercover of all different ethnicities and gender in these types of operations, but it depends on the conditions. If the buyer is of one group, we will use undercover that will blend in with that group."

He also noted that sellers of illegal drugs are usually not that selective, which enables undercover of different ethnicities to engage in these narcotics operations. "We go where the problem is. If we receive complaints about narcotic activity, we go regardless of who lives in

because they want to. But that community," says Middle East region and if they wish to leave, the Collins. undermine the ability of

The spokesman for the Detectives Endowment Association could not be reached for comment.

### Black caucus voices war opposition

The Congressional Black Caucus (CBC) made its position crystal clear on the House floor Tuesday evening regarding what it being called the unilateral attack of Iraq to come this week by U.S.-led military forces.

CBC Chairman Elijah E. Cummings (D-Md.) took to the floor and asked Speaker J. Dennis Hastert (R-Ill.) to allow his group to insert into the record the group's principles regarding U.S. military action in Iraq. Cummings declared that CBC vehemently opposes a "unilateral first-strike action by the U.S. without a clearly demonstrated and imminent threat" of attack on the United States.

In addition, Cummings noted that only Congress has the authority to declare war. "Every diplomatic option should have been exhausted." he said.

Cummings also stressed that the unilateral first-strike posture maintained by the United States in this crisis would undermine the moral authority of the country as well as result in substantial loss of life. "It would destabilize the

Middle East region and undermine the ability of our nation to address unmet domestic priorities," said Cummings from the House floor.

He also said that the U.S. action in Iraq would define "our moral standing in the world for this generation and for generations yet unborn." Cummings said he has given his oath to do everything within his power to support the men and women in uniform.

However, he continued: "I also have pledged my commitment to ensure that their sacrifice is warranted and just. That obligation does not allow me to remain silent tonight."

Cummings charged that President Bush decided that he would allow no more time for a negotiated disarmament of Iraq. "We all know the terrible consequences of that decision," said the lawmaker from the state of Maryland. "The stakes are enormous. Many human beings will be harmed and others will be killed."

Action by the White House in the crisis, according to Cummings, would also seriously damage American foreign policy.

"Therefore, before a single shot has been fired, I must again raise what I consider to be the fundamental question about this preemptive war: By what authority or by what right does this continue on page 28.



# Q. What do these people have in common?

build a stronger community, it takes everyone working together care about what youth need in order to succeed. Also, they know that to They all believe that youth are an important part of our community. They

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### SOCIAL SECURITY

### FREE OR LOW-COST MEDICINES AVAILABLE TO VETERANS

By James Warrner

Eleven million veterans are over age 60. Many of these older veterans have trouble paying for prescriptions medications. Veterans should know that free or low-cost prescription drugs are available through the Veterans Administration.

A prescription filled by the VA costs \$2 for a 30-day supply (disabled or low-income veterans can receive medications for free). This benefit is available to any man or woman who was honorably discharged from the military. (Veterans discharged after September 1980 must have at least 2 years of service.)

To take advantage of this benefit, a veteran must enroll with the VA and must be seen by a VA doctor (prescriptions written by private doctors cannot be filled though the VA). Veterans can visit doctors at VA hospitals or VA community-based outpatient clinics. There is a charge to visit a VA doctor, but insurance may cover that charge.

(Disabled or lowincome veterans can visit doctors for free.)

Once enrolled. veterans can receive prescription drugs at VA clinics, hospitals or through the VA mail-order pharmacy.

The toll-free number for the VA Health Benefits Service Center is 1-877-222-VETS (1-877-2 2 2 - 8 3 8 7 ) . Representatives can answer questions, enroll veterans and provide the location of nearby VA hospitals and clinics. Veterans can also look on the Internet www.va.gov for additional information on VA programs.

The Gallup Organization completed the second national study about Social Security and found out the American publicís knowledge about Social Security and its programs is increasing. Four thousand adults completed the survey. known as the Public Understanding Measurement System.

According to a Social Security official in Muncie, the percentage of Americans (age 18 or over) knowledgeable about Social Security programs rose from 55 percent to 75 percent.

Knowledge that the age for receiving full Social Security benefits rose significantly-to 71 percent from 65 percent.

"Public satisfaction with the statement is very positive, said the official.î iOver 80 percent of those who recall receiving thestatement, report it to be useful in increasing their knowledge of benefits that The conversion letter may affect them directly and find it to be very easy to understand."

Based on the survey, it is estimated that about 40 million people requested information about Social Security last year. Over 90 percent of them were satisfied with the information received.

Three out of four people contacting Social Security for information use the phone (47 percent) or visit their local Social Security office (28 percent). Use of the Social Security website, www.ssa.gov, more than doubled to nearly two million contacts.

While visiting a local senior adult center, a 72-year-old woman said she had been widowed twice-once at age 50 and 16 years later at 66. When her second husband died. Social Security automatically converted her spouse's benefits to widow's benefits, based on his record.

Sure enough, because her first husband had a higher earnings record, we advised her to file a new claim. As a result, her benefits were immediately increased.

When a spouse dies. Social Security's practice is automatically convert the spouse's benefit to a widow or (widower) benefit, based on the deceased spouse's record. suggests the person should contact Social Security if she or he had widowers-full benefits at

been a widow or widower from a previous marriage. some cases, the surviving spouse may be eligible for a higher benefit based on the previous spouse's record.

Unfortunately, some people who may be eligible for the higher benefit do not contact us

Some divorced women and men also may be eligible for benefits based on a deceased exspouseis record if the marriage had lasted at least 10 years. In some cases, these divorced individuals may not know they could be eligible for higher benefits. And, we may not be aware of their eligibility unless they

contact us. Information about survivors benefits is available by checking out website www.ssa.gov, calling the Social Security toll-free number, 1-800-772-1213, or contacting a local Social Security office.

Probably everyone knows that Social Security pays retirement benefits, but not everyone is aware of the extent to which it provides survivors' benefits, too. When someone has worked and paid into Social Security, monthly benefits can be paid to certain family members when the worker dies. These include:

· Widows over their full retirement age or reduced benefits as early as 60. A disabled widow or widower can get benefits at 50 to 60.

Widows or widowers, at any age, if she or he takes care of the deceased worker's children under age 16 or disabled children who get benefits. Unmarried children under 18 (or up to age 19 if they are attending elementary or secondary school full time). Children can get benefits at any age if they were disabled before age 22 and remained disabled. Dependent parents 62 or older.

Surviving divorced spouses-if the marriage lasted 10 years or more. The former spouse, however, does not have to meet the length-ofmarriage rule if she or he is caring for the worker's child who is under age 16 or disabled and who is also getting benefits on the worker's Social Security record. The child must be the worker's former spouse's natural or legally adopted

There is also a special one-time payment of \$255 that can be made when you die if you have enough work "credits." This payment can be made only to your spouse or minor children if they meet certain requirements. Although

probably haven't thought about it, the fact is, the continue on page 21.

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value of the survivors insurance you have under Social Security probably worth more than value of any individual life insurance vou may have. In today's dollars, that value is worth \$374,000 to an average survivor family consisting of a widow(er) and two children.

So, as you can see, Social Security provides a package of protection for America's workers and their families.

As regular clockwork, the Internal Revenue Service (IRS) reminds us to pay our taxes by sending us a Form 1040 soon after the first of the year. If you're due a refund, you also want to make sure you receive it promptly. You can avoid delays by verifying that all names and Social Security numbers are recorded correctly on your tax return.

When processing tax returns, IRS checks all names and Social Security numbers for accuracy. In the past, IRS matched the names and numbers of taxpavers and their spouses. Now, the names and numbers of all dependents, including newborns, listed on the tax return are checked.

When discovers an incorrect Social Security number on your tax return, the agency will send you a letter explaining the discrepancy. You must fix the problem by giving IRS the correct Social Security number before you can get a tax refund. If you don't already have a number or if you need one for a dependent, call or visit a Social Security office.

In addition, check Social Security number on your W-2 statement and pay stubs to make sure it matches the one on your Social Security card. If it doesnít, tell your employer immediately.

If you are a Social Security beneficiary, you can look forward to getting vour Social record.) Security Benefit Statement for Tax Year 2002 (SSA-1099) soon. The statement shows how much you received in Social Security benefits for the year and may be used when you complete your federal income tax return to find out if any of your benefits are subject

If you lose or not receive your SSA-1099, vou can request replacement online from Social Security's website. http://www.ssa.gov/1099/. You will need your name as it appears on benefit checks and/or letters and your Social Security number. You may also need your date and place of birth and your mother's maiden name (to help identify you).

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For information on taxation of Social Security benefits. call the Internal Revenue Service's toll-free number, 1800-829-3676, to ask for Publication 554. Tax Information for Older Americans.

If you're self employed it's up to you to make sure you report your earnings accurately and on time. Otherwise, when itis time to collect Social Security benefits, you may not get all that you are expected to receive. Social Security benefit amounts are calculated on the amount of earnings or self-employment income that is posted on your record.

You are considered self-employed if you operate a trade, business or profession, either by vourself or as a partner. Self-employed people. unlike individuals who work for an employer, do not receive W-2s listing their earnings. Therefore, self-employed people whose net earnings are

\$400 or more in a year must report those earnings on an IRS Schedule SE along with their regular IRS 1040 tax form

The Social Security tax rate for 2001 was 15.3 percent on selfemployment net earnings up to \$80,400. If your net earning exceeded \$80,400, you continued to pay the Medicare portion of the Social Security tax. 2.9 percent, on the rest of your earnings.(The 2002 earnings limit is \$84,900.)

If you discover that you have not reported all your self-employment income in a particular vear, vou may have time to make corrections. the deadline for reporting self-employment income so you can get credit for it on your Social Security record is 3 years, 3 months and 15 days from the last day of the tax year in which the income was earned.

For more information about reporting selfemployment income, call our toll-free number, 1-800-772-1213.

### **BAYH GETS \$100,000 TO RESTORE BLACK** MADISON, IND., AME CHURCH

WASHINGTON. D.C .-- U.S. Sen. Evan Bayh (D-Ind.) has announced that he has secured \$100,000 in federal funds for the restoration of the African Methodist Episcopal (AME) Church Madison, Ind.

The church, located in an area of "Georgetown," served as a strategic "first stop" on the Underground Railroad for fugitive slaves making their way to freedom by crossing the Ohio Riverthe dividing line between free and slave states.

The. City of Madison acquired the circa-1849 AME Church as one of the few Madison known as remaining significant structures with connection to early African American heritage. The building has the potential to serve as a memorial to an important part Madison's history.

The federal support will be used for the restoration of the church building.

"The restoration of

AME's church is an important cultural and historic project that honors the heritage of the African American community's role in Madison," Bavh said. "Helping to preserve this landmark is a worthwhile project that can serve to bring the community together around a shared source of pride."



### The Muncie Times Outstanding Citizens Award Program

The last Saturday of every month, The Muncie Times will have a special program to recognize citizens who have made contributions to the Muncie Community. The next appreciation will be 10:00 a.m. Saturday, April 26 at the Muncie Area Career Center in the President's room.



Clara Rankin



Terry Whitt-Bailey



John L. Beatty



Renne A. Conley



Sally Sawver



Pastor Mack Sawyer

These community leaders have impacted the lives of so many people. They have given time, money, resources and manpower in so many areas. This event is to provide a platform for the community who have given of themselves for years and in many cases the community has not properly let them know that we noticed their good and caring works. We would like for our readers to submit names of anyone they feel should be recognized for the Outstanding Citizen Award. Nominations should be sent to Outstanding Citizen, The Muncie Times, 1304 N. Broadway, Muncie, IN 47303. This event is free of charge and by invitation only. Invitations are available at The Muncie Times Charities. These programs will be broadcast every Monday at 1:00 p.m. on cable Channel 42.

### OUTSTANDING CITIZENS

Clara Rankin

Pastor of Bread of Life Ministries, Clara M. Rankin, was born Jan. 9, 1935 in Coffeeville, Miss., to Roosevelt and Louise Washington. She moved to Chicago at an early age where she grew up.

Rankin attended Forestville Elementary School in Chicago and graduated from DuSable High School in 1955. After high school she worked for many years at the United States

### Church and Family Ministry Keeps Rankin Going.

By Charles Gulubane

Retirement Board in North Chicago as a typist.

She married French Rankin on April 25, 1954. The couple has seven children. French. Jr., Robert, Lisa, Paul, JoAnn, Spencer and Melanie. "We now have 11 grandchildren and one darling great grandchild by the name of Jalen," said Rankin. Most of her offspring lives in Muncie. while others are in other parts of the country. Her husband passed away in 1994.

Rankin and her family moved to Muncie from Chicago in 1976. She initially came to Muncie to help in an Evangelical crusade that was to last a few months, but ended up making

Muncie her home.

Rankin whose father was a Church of God minister and whose grandfather was a Baptist minister, said that family tradition did not play any part in her decision to become a minister. "As a young woman I had health problems. After trying to get help from everyone else and failing, I finally turned to the Lord, where I got my healing. I spent six months in hospital with tuberculosis. That absence made me develop a good relationship with God." she said. Rankin said she gave her heart to the Lord in 1961 and then started Bible studies and teaching Sunday school.

In 1968 she

became a minister. "I heard the call of God in my heart. At first I was involved in the children's ministry, then nursing homes and then different ministries and churches. I worked closely with my husband until his death in 1994," she said.

Rankin served as a missionary in a number of churches in Muncie, including Greater Grace Apostolic Church, Good Samaritan Baptist Church and Little Rock Baptist Church. She co-pastored with Pastor Vera Thomas of 7 Fold Agape on E. Centennial St., for about five years as well as Pastor Curtis Bynum of Bread of Heaven on S. Walnut.

In 1985 she

established a mission church on 909 S. Blaine St., where she often provided temporary shelter to folks who had fallen on hard times. This, said Rankin, marked the birth of Bread of Life Ministries. Now her congregation meets every Sunday morning as well as Wednesday and Friday evenings at 1405 S. Hackley St. On Sunday afternoon, they gather at Morning Star Church on 13th and Hoyt.

mas mother, grandmother, great-grandmother, pastor, counselor and teacher.

"All these hats are what has seeps me going. It is a pleasure to serve the she Lord." she said.



John L. Beatty

Within every community, there are many great leaders. These are very dedicated individuals who believe in doing whatever it takes to help others.

John L. Beatty is among the many courageous leaders who are considered outstanding Muncie

### Beatty says he wants to help others

**By: Raynandole Poindexter** 

citizens. He was born Dec.15, 1964 in Muncie, Ind. to Mary H. and Cecil D. Beatty.

He attended Garfield Elementary and Wilson Junior High , before graduating from Muncie Central High School in 1983.

He then went on to work for Borg -Warner Gear as a gear cutter for 7 years.

Beatty's childhood was fun and adventurous. He was raised by the Muncie community and credits all of his elders for his upbringing. "I lived at First and Hackley, but I hung out with kids in the projects," Beatty said.

He said that he and his friends hung out as a group, not a gang.

Beatty became a police cadet in the early 70s under the influence of an uncle who was a reserve police officer. He also worked as a park ranger under Rick Cantrell, Muncie park director and Ron Bonham, Prairie Creek park director.

He later became a Delaware Co. juvenile

"I lived at First detention officer in May

" It was a very demanding position, but I was determined to help prevent those kids from heading down the wrong path." said Beatty.

He later became a special officer at Ball State University, where he was able to relate to and protect the students and other youth in the community. Beatty explained that there were many times when his life was in danger, but credits God for protecting him.

Beatty eventually

left police work to care for his mother, who remains a very active member of Midtown Church of Christ.

"I credit my mother for my success and there is nothing I wouldn't do for her," said Beatty.

He also credits his grandmother, Mary J. Clark, with keeping him on a straight path.

He now works for New Venture Gear as a "World Class Operator". but remains very active in his community. He said continue on page 26.

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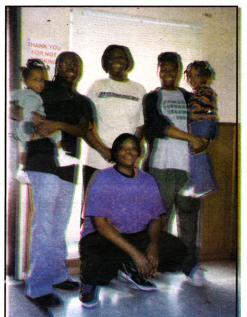
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people look to him for security, support. information and help in many other areas.

"I am a community person, I look out for everybody and I always give more than I get," he said.

He added that people have to be active in their communities to be successful in life and should never turn their backs on anyone.

"We need more minorities to speak out because we're the voices," said Beatty.

He added that people should look at life as if they want to survive

and help others because itís the right thing to do.

"Everything's not about money," Beatty said.

nothing he could not do

with God in his life. He

He said there is

to be successful. Beatty said he looks forward to marrying his fiancee, Phyillies Burks, in November,

encourages others to have

a strong will to help their

communities if they want

### Mack and Sally Sawyer Serve Community with Ministry -By Charles Gulubane

Word of Faith and obtained his high school education at Southside Power Ministries Pastor, High School. Sawyer was Mack Sawyer and his wife Sally were married a talented basketball player who went on to Aug., 26, 1972 in Detroit, where they met. Pastor play for the Ball State Sawyer, a Muncie native, University Cardinals had just come back from he studied where serving in the war in accounting. His skill on Vietnam and was then the court earned him a slot working for General the Ball State Motors. The couple bore Basketball Hall of Fame. five children, Darren, Sally Sawyer was Sarita, Robyn, Cortez and born Oct., 17, 1942 in

Laravian. They have nine Detroit to Matthew and grandchildren. Luvenia Smith Sawyer was born Montgomery, Ala. Her April 5, 1946 to Myron father was a truck driver and Virginia Sawyer of and her mother His father Muncie. homemaker. She attended community operated his own Detroit janitorial business and his schools and graduated from Southwestern High mother worked at Ball Memorial Hospital. He School in 1958. She attended Muncie worked in various community schools and capacities with the

Immigration Naturalization Department, the Food and Drug Administration, Joliet Junior College, CNN as well as One Stop Mortgage. She retired in 1999.

Pastor Sawyer was recruited by I.P.C Security as a security officer and rose through the ranks to director and regional director. He was recently promoted to the position of group vice-president and will relocate to the corporate office in Chicago, IL. Apart from Detroit, Mich., Sawyer's job has taken the couple to Joliet, IL., Atlanta, GA., and Indianapolis, IN. They moved to Muncie in 2002 to be close to Sawyer's mother whose



**Pastor Mack Sawyer** 

health was failing.

When back in Muncie, Sawver established Word of Faith and Power Ministries after serving as associate pastor under Pastor Royce Mitchell of Deliverance Temple for some time. His wife, a gospel singer from an early age, is part of the Praise and Worship Team at the church and also teaches when Sawver is away.

"God blessed me with a talent for singing. I



Sålly Sawyer

have been singing since I was eight. My family had a gospel group known as The Smith Singers. I've always been raised up around music.I even used to sing with Diana Ross at school," said Sally Sawyer. In 2001 she was awarded the Women of Honor Award by St. Community David Christian Worship Center Church of God in Christ of Pastor D. L. Sanders in

Indianapolis.



Renne A. Conley

Among the many outstanding, leaders in

### Attorney Conley wants to help her community \_\_\_

By: Raynandole Poindexter

Muncie, Renee A. Conley is paticulaly appreciated in her community.

She was born Sept 9, 1966, to Carol U. Conley and Aamir M. Shabazz. Conley attended Washington Carver Elementary, McKinley Middle, and Muncie Central High schools. She

school in 1984.

Conley grew up in Whitely neighborhood, where she was raised by her mother, who worked two jobs to support her and her siblings.

After graduating from high school, Renee

graduated from high Conley went on to Indiana University, Bloomington, where she obtained a bachelorís degree in political science, in 1988. She then received a degree from Indiana University Law School in

> "I knew, as a junior in high school ,that I

wanted to be a lawyer because I had a vague sense of inequality," said Conley.

She admits that school was challenge for her. But dedication and determination would not allow her to fail.

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"Law school was hard. but I studied everyday and maintained my focus,' said Conley.

After law school. she came back to Muncie. where she studied for and passed the bar exam in 1993. She began to practice law, but decided to take a break, due to medical problems and what she called "disillusionment".

"I think I lost track of why I really became a lawyer in the first place, which was to help people," Conley said.

After doing some production work for a consulting business, she began practicing law again. Conley is the only African-American attorney in Muncie. The community embraces her as "their lawyer". Conley said she owes her success to her family and her community and continues to work hard for them.

"Many African-Americans believe that they are not cared about and my goal is to help them realize that they

are," said Conley.

She added that she strives to do well for all of her clients and to let them know that being their attorney is more than just representing them in court.

"It's also about developing a strong relationship with everyone in my community," said Conley.

Conley believes that if you do good, you get good. She offers some famous words from Malcolm X, to describe her contribution to the community: " If you found any good in me, it's only by the grace of God. Only the mistakes are my own."



**Terry Whitt-Bailey** 

Terry Whitt-Bailey the Director of Executive Staff and Administrative Affairs in the Office of the President at Ball State University. She is responsible for overseeing the day-to-day activities and the technological infrastructure of the office. Her duties include coordinating the President's calendar: special events, projects, presentations; activities, staffing, planning, and management of Bracken House (the Presidentis residence) and special appearances and engagements made on behalf of the Office of the President and the University.

Whitt-Bailey's story began July 20, 1964 in Springfield, IL where

### Whitt-Bailey Coordinates, Directs, as She Lives Her Life

**By Staff Writer** 

she was born to Vern and Janice Whitt. Her father worked i n telecommunications and her mother in social work counseling. In Springfield she attended Noah Webster Elementary School

The family moved to Indianapolis in 1979 where Bailey attended North Central High School. She graduated in 1982.

After high school Bailey enrolled at Rutgers University, N.J. where she received B.A. degrees in Dance and Communication in 1986. At Rutgers, she founded and directed the Minority Student Dance Ensemble, a university-based dance company which is still active to this day.

Whitt-Bailey then moved to the University California, Los Angeles (UCLA) where she received an M.A. degree in Dance Education with an emphasis in dance history. While in Los Angeles, she performed with the UCLA Dance Company and R Dance Company, a Los Angeles-based modern dance company.

In 1988, Whitt-Bailey began teaching at Ball State University as Assistant Professor in the School of Physical Education. There she taught courses in dance and physical education and choreographed dances for the Ball State Dance Theatre.

Whitt-Bailev moved to Chicago State University in 1991 to take up the post of Assistant Professor of Dance and Fitness. She founded CSU Danceworks. a 34member dance performance company that she directed even as she lectured at the University.

Whitt-Bailey returned to Ball State University in 1997 to assume the position of Assistant for Information Technology Development. In 2000, she was appointed the Interim Director of the Office of Information Technology at Ball State. In this position, she oversaw developments within the University Computing Services, BSU Teleplex, University Libraries, Virtual Imaging Lab and Web Development. She was also responsible for technology budget allocations for all of the colleges on campus.

Whitt-Bailey has done extensive postgraduate work at the University of Illinois in Curriculum, Instruction & Evaluation. She is currently working on a (AAUW), doctorate in higher at Ball State University.

Jr., eleven years ago. The couple have a six-year old son, Jeremiah, who attends Storer Elementary School. They members of Union Missionary **Baptist** Church in Muncie where Whitt-Bailey is the Director of the Ball State/UMBC College Ministry and a member of the Mothers' Board.

Whitt-Bailey's service to the community is extensive. At present she serves on the boards of Family Services of Delaware County (President): TEAMwork for Quality Living (Vice-Chair): American Heart Association (President) and VSA Arts. She is also a member of the Rotary Club of Muncie, Muncie Coalition of 100 Women, Muncie Black Expo, MLK Dream Team. American Association of University Women National Association education administration Presidential Assistants in Higher Education Whitt-Bailey (NAPAHE), and married John S. Bailey, American Association for Higher Education (AAHE).

" I credit all of my success to God, my family, and professional and personal mentors. I live by a motto which can be found amidst the awards hanging in my home office: My motto is ëBut by the grace of God I am What I am'," she said.

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nation-justify the taking of life in Iraq?" Cummings asked his colleagues on Capitol Hill.

Cummings also stated that the American people have created the strongest military force in history. However, he said that Americans have never subscribed to the proposition that "our might makes us right." He added that America has never led by military power alone, but rather by "our devotion to principle and the ligitimacy of our mission."

Cummings said it is unfortunate that this principled foundation of the country, as well as the legitimacy of its mission, has been placed in jeopardy.

The CBC chair charged that the administration failed to achieve the U.N. approval broad-based international support that are critical to achieving the country's objectives as well as protecting the men and women in uniform in the Middle East. "We have the obligation to ask why the administration has failed to make its case," said Cummings. "If the president's rationale for war were self-evident. broad-based. multinational 'coalition of

the willing' would indeed

have materialized."

Cummings added he is convinced that at the heart of the president's failure is the absence of clear and convincing evidence that Iraq poses an imminent threat either to the United States or to other nations of the world. "The administration has yet to adequately explain the consequences of going \* to war to American," said Cummings. He also posed the following question to his colleagues: "Have we received clear and convincing evidence that the president's decision will not make our defenses against terrorism more difficult and will not undermine our ability to meet the compelling domestic needs Americans here at home?" Cummings also asked about the administration's comprehensive plan for the political and economic stability of Iraq once hostilities have ended.

"Where is the president's evaluation of the cost of military conflict and reconstruction? Where is his analysis of the impact upon our economy?

"Will both the affluent and working class Americans share fairly in that sacrifice?" asked Cummings. He stressed that the answers to these questions raise the classic conflict between whether

"we pursue questionable international missions or spend the resources for urgent domestic priorities."

### Central Park Five file lawsuits

Moments after the convictions against five young men in the Central Park Jogger case were overturned last year; there was discussion about when lawsuits would be filed on their behalf demanding compensation.

That moment arrived last week when their lawyers filed notices of claims in both federal district court and state court, said attorney Michael Warren.

Warren, who along with attorneys Roger Wareham and Jonathan Moore is representing Raymond Santana, Antron McCray and Kevin Richardson, said his intent to sue in both courts was consistent with his clients' rights. "The difference is one of focus," he told the Amsterdam News in a recent phone interview.

"In the federal suit, the focus is on their families and how they were stigmatized and suffered as a result of the false convictions and imprisonment," Warren explained. "The young men were denied opportunities to enjoy

familial relations. The suit in the state court focuses on the plaintiffs and the unjust nature of their prosecution."

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Yusef Salaam and Kharey Wise, the other two charged and who served sentences from 7 to 13 years, also join in the suits. The lawyers are seeking restitution of \$50 million per plaintiff. "No matter how much money the juries award them, it can't compensate for the damage done to them," Warren said.

"Some of the best years of their lives have been lost." Councilman Bill Perkins, who was a steady advocate for the youths during the months when it was disclosed that another man had confessed to the crimes, "Yes, lawsuits are warranted, and lawyers should have no trouble winning their cases, but because of a rush to judgment, they were denied their vouth. There's no amount of money that can bring that back."

The plaintiffs were teenagers on April 19, 1989, when they were arrested in Central Park. They were charged with rape and assault, which law enforcement officers and later prosecutors claimed was part of their "wilding" behavior. In

often contradictory confessions, all of them admitted they took part in assault on the financial broker, who lost 75 percent of her blood and remained in a coma for 12 days. However, during the trial they insisted the confessions were coerced maintained their innocence.

Last year, on the basis of new evidence notably a confession by Matias Reyes that he raped and brutalized the and woman the recommendation of Manhattan District Attorney Robert Morgenthau, state Supreme Court Justice Charles J. Tejada overturned convictions and vacated the case. This ruling set up the possibility of lawsuits being brought for unjust conviction and wrongful imprisonment.

Warren was not sure of the next move since they have to wait and see in which court the case will be tried. "I'd prefer federal because that would allow us a lot more leverage toward getting punitive damages and to invalidate the entire prosecutorial team," he said. The attorneys have three years to make their case.

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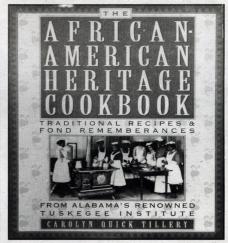
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stir in milk and cream. Cook, stirring constantly, until mixture boils

and thickens, about 2 to 3 minutes. Remove from heat and add

paprika, pepper, and 2 cups of the cheese; stir until cheese is melted.

Gently stir in macaroni and salt to taste. Place in a buttered 1-quart

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1 teaspoon salt, or to taste

1/2 teaspoon pepper

casserole dish. Garnish top with remaining 1/2 cup of cheese and dot 1 medium onion, chopped with additional butter. Bake 25 to 30 minutes. 2 slices white bread, crusts removed 4 to 6 servings 3/4 cup light cream 1 egg, lightly beaten CANDIED YAMS Preheat oven to 375 degrees F. Combine beef, yeal, pork,

Worcestershire, and seasonings. Add onion. Place bread on top of meat mixture. Slowly pour cream on top of bread to soften it, add egg, and then gently mix into meat. Pat into an ungreased loaf pan and bake for approximately 45 minutes to 1 hour or until done. Serve with creamy mashed potatoes and brown onion gravy. Garden peas and rolls.

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1 cup light cream

1/4 teaspoon paprika

1/2 teaspoon white pepper

2 1/2 cups grated sharp cheese

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Boil macaroni according to package directions; drain and set aside. Meanwhile, melt butter in a medium saucepan over low heat. Blend in flour, stirring constantly. Gradually

8 small sweet potatoes, peeled and quartered

4 1/2 teaspoons fresh lemon juice

1/4 cup butter

2/3 cup sugar

1 teaspoon grated lemon peel

1/8 teaspoon grated ginger

Pinch ground cinnamon 1/2 teaspoon ground nutmeg

Place potatoes in enough boiling water to cover. Add lemon juice and cook until tender. When done, remove potatoes from pot and drain. In the same pot, melt butter over medium heat and add sugar. Stir until sugar melts and begins to bubble, stirring constantly to prevent scorching. When mixture begins to thicken, remove from heat, add lemon peel and spices, and return potatoes to pot, coating with the mixture. Serve immediately or transfer to a buttered glass baking dish and place in a warm oven until ready to serve.

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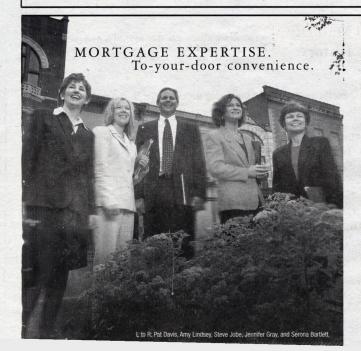
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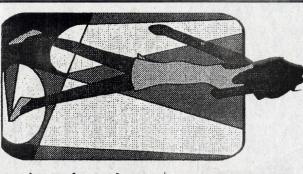
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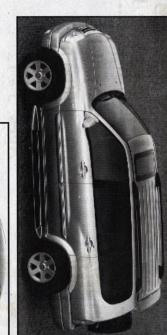
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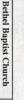


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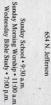












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Malone worked at the Muncie Community Schools, Marsh Supermarket and Wel grandchildren. Department Store. The couple has several children, grandchildren and gre supervisor. He is also a veteran of World War II. Mrs. Jones whose maiden name Community in Muncie. Mr. Jones retired from Muncie Post Office where he wa The couple was married in 1943 in Marion, S.C. They are members of the Whitl Elmer and Mildred Jones celebrated their 60th Anniversary on Sat. March 22

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Tuesday Bible Study • 6:00 p.m





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p.m.



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of God in Christ

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Sunday School • 10:15 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship • 12:00

Noon
Evening Y.P.W.W. • 6:30 p.m.
Tuesday Bible Study • 7:00 p.m.
Friday Worship • 7:00 p.m.



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Thursday Worship • 7:00 p.m

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Sunday Morning Worship • 11:00

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Sunday School • 9:30 a.m



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Sunday School • 9:00 a.m

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Thursday 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday - Friday Prayer • 8:00 - 9:00 a.m.

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# DRESS AND ADORNMENT FOR HOLY MEN AND WOMEN

not wear that which

pertaineth unto a man,

### Bishop

Duncan, D.D



1226 Dr. Martin Luther King St., Indianapolis, IN 46202 317-638-3627 • 317-826-9850 Bishop E.J. Duncan

pertaineth unto a man

The woman shall

neither shall a man put on not wear that which

woman's garment: for

SO

are

revelation of Jesus Christ" brought unto you at the for the grace that is to be sober, and hope to the end the loins of your mind, be "Wherefore gird up

From this scripture

ye holy in all manner of conversation. 1Pet.1:13because it is written, Be manner of conversation; holy, so be ye holy in all which hath called you is children, ignorance: but as he the former lusts in your yourselves according to FAS-HIONING obedient

ye not read, that he which

them

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Jesus said: "Have

divine principle, a

Testament principal. are still under the Old Old Testament period, we God divine law. Although and a manis dress. This is between a womanis dress. should be a difference God instituted that there Lord thy God." Deu. 22:5. abomination unto the all that do

traditional and some restrictions are placed on and the dress code for women said pro and con, about women and men by There is so much men. Some

the female.

to the male and what to concerning what belongs not be any confusion and a female. There must divine distinction. A male male and female." This is beginning made them

controversial subject. logic biblical presentations. It is on this

said: Testament the scripture adornment. In the Old of dress and outward bible regulates our mode scriptures and common few viewpoints by the my endeavor to show a It is true that the

> and fatalities. permanent result in injury severe and sometime violate it would cause a

the face of the earth. in this lifestyle from off eliminate the participants do not produce offspring. life. For the lifestyles of will cause cessation of all the sexual relationships And would eventually Homosexuals and lesbians To violate this in

elimination. standstill and process of the whole world to a and the field of mathematics science would bring To ignore this in

governs masculinity. distinction in the area of necessity that there be a divine principle femininity functions. It is of utmost male and female and all life and obvious that

we are not still under the

and texture. usually flowing gown without a the female. This is a long reserved exclusively for garment called dress is society the distinctive to man and woman. In our naming that which pertain sometime prevail in and adornments, customs various feminine colors pantaloon or pants. It is split or distinctive term In the area of dress colored with

ignorance of that law know the difference. For negative. In this you must This is true between male and female. nations have a distinction most all laws. Almost all the natural world and in electrical world under the This is also true in positive in the and women Though

> be seen in the fact that the justified. not make the changeover many. Though this does down on, or scorned by the pants, it is not looked when women are seen in the women. Therefore not dress that pertain to wearing only pants, and distinctive mode demonstration of this can men are reserved to the obvious

rest rooms signs and obvious point that society changeover, consider the has not adjusted to the decal. For that which

The distinction of has a pants sign.

accepted in our society. pants, it is not well That is, the wearing of associated with the men; to that which is usually changing from this dress are quickly many sight of God." Lke.16:15. men is abomination in the highly esteemed among hearts; for that which is said: "The woman shall And again Deuteronomy, but God knoweth your

excuses no one. And to

of a woman's garment: for Lord thy God." Deu. 22:5 abomination unto the all that do so neither shall a man put on

### COVERING DRESS FOR

the husband with her; and he and gave also unto her fruit thereof and did eat, one wise, she took of the tree to be desired to make pleasant to the eyes, and a for food, and that it was saw that the tree was good "And when the woman

To

show

that which is often done and society both will pertain to a woman, God start wearing that which will soon or later be and continuously tolerated condemn them. Of course utterly frown upon and which pertain to the men a dress sign, and that pertain to the women has If men today would aprons...And he said, I 3:6,7,10. because I was naked; and garden, and I was afraid, heard thy voice in the and made themselves sewed fig leaves together, were naked; and they and they knew that they them both were opened, did eat. hid myself." Gen And the eyes of

accepted though it was against and evil work is previously frowned upon "Because sentence and to his wife did the Gen. 3:21. skins, and clothed them." Lord God make coats of "Unto Adam also

and scorned.

therefore the heart of the yourselves before men; sons of men is fully set in not executed speedily, Jesus said: "Ye are justify evil." them coats of skins be cover their nakedness. nakedness, God made for tempted or cause other to woman is prone to be tempted for their Because man and

them

to do

Ecc.8:11.

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beautifully designed so made. Her body form and out of all that God has most beautiful creature appearance The woman is the

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private parts. to show the way to her any other part of her body, she make bare the led or him in a sexual way. Or if if a woman came after would be greatly affected nine percent of men say that ninety-nine point would fall for her. I dare 47:2-3. over the rivers. make bare

attire to draw someone to her for sex. shown with a distinctive A harlot is usually

because she had covered her to be Judah saw her, he thought unto him to wife. When and she was not given that Shelah was grown. to Timnath; for she saw place, which is by the way with a veil, and wrapped from her, and covered her widow's garments off her face." Gen. 38:14,15. herself, and sat in an open "And she put her an harlot;

the attire of an harlot, and met him a woman with subtle of heart, "And behold, there

Let not thine heart

going 7:10,25-27. chambers of death." Pro house is the way to hell. been slain by her. Her many strong men have For she hath cast down not astray in her paths. decline to her ways, go For these causes a wounded; down to yea. the

to be a shame and the of the thigh is considered covered. The uncovering keep their bodies properly woman or man should naked

showing of the "Take the

millstones,

and

grind

and width that is would

different kinds of jewelry and extra ornaments and

meet thee as a man.î Isa vengeance, and I will not shall be seen; I will take uncovered, yea, thy shame nakedness shall be uncover the thigh, pass meal; uncover thy locks, the leg, Thy armpits clothes with no low cut breast be completely covered So therefore they should thighs of a woman are parts or making bare the not reveal her private very attractive to a man. led. The breast and the

and revealing attires. "So and I saw a woman sit spirit into the wilderness; he carried me away in the over dressed with jewels A harlot is usually

protected.

abominations cup in her hand full of and decked with gold and beast, full of names of fornication." filthiness pearls. Having a golden precious stones and purple and scarlet colour, the woman was arrayed in heads and ten horns. And blasphemy, having seven upon a scarlet coloured Rev. 17:3,4. of her and

decked out with all clean and white: for the arrayed in fine linen the Lamb is come, and to him: for the marriage of rejoice, and give honour attire. "Let us be glad and not in all other attractive godly woman is usually Rev. 19:7-8. She is not righteousness of saints." granted that she should be ready. And to her was his wife hath made herself shown in white linen and linen is the

a lover. should be to the length woman should keep her breast covered. Her dress attractive attires to entice For this cause a

God. Rom. 14:ICor.8

and siting to keep herself covered when standing Her knees should be uncovering the thighs and opened and the and some restrict other Some restrict all Jewelry, forms.

TRADITIONS EXAMPLE

Egyptians were clean Hebrews always wore a cultural backgrounds. The were developed from are totally man made, and wrong. These traditions some consider them to be sideburns and such like, mustache, such as, if a man wears a There are traditions While a beard, the

The attire of a and force it upon the new conquers one nation, they the of the Christians adopted invaded. the culture of the nation sometime, they take on usually bring their culture was clean shaven. Some Roman culture the man shaven. Among trontier. Whenever another nation Roman culture Though. the

eating of meats. Not any of them commend us to keeping of days and the There are some things everyone do as he pleases. doctrine Paul says and some things donit. As that commend us to God be taught as biblical The beard is not to today. about the Let

jewelry, shoe, and head be a point of doctrine covering for the head, to Some speak about

costly array; but (which apparel, themselves in modest order to regulate our becometh hair, or gold, or pearls, or sobriety; not with broided shamefacedness many that women adorn adornments said: "In like The scriptures in women with and

context of this passage on ITim.2:9 Let's examine the

professing godliness.)"

price.

the sight of God of great quiet spirit, which is in

strain at a gnat. swallow a camel and other things. In this they go all out in buying stretch the scripture too also. I think we should not For he mentions clothing abandonment of jewelry. expensive clothing and too expensive attire. Some clothes, but not costly or not forbidden to wear far in any direction. It was we don't see a total prestige. From this verse pride many times portrays our What and personal we wear

becometh saints ordinary or that which be attire or jewels are not to scripture would mean that understanding of the beyond that which is Jewels should not be worn person's character instead. attention. It should be the would be about jewelry. worn The same thing 01 reasonable: attract

> a godly manner. "Whose was ornament of a meek and not corruptible, even the the heart, in that which is it be the hidden man of putting on apparel; But let wearing of gold, plaiting the hair, and of outward adorning adorning let it not be that character and was done in old wore jewelry but it the idea that women of done The scriptures give in good 01 of

husbands." IPet. 3:3-5. subjection unto their own themselves, being trusted in God, adorned holy women also, who manner in the old time the For after this

weight of gold." Gen done drinking, that the 24:16,22. hands of ten shekels and two bracelets for her of half a shekel weight, man took a golden earring to pass, as the camels had filled her pitcher, and came up... "And it came down to the well, and known her: and she went neither had any man look upon, a virgin damsel was very fair to From this it can be Note this: "And the

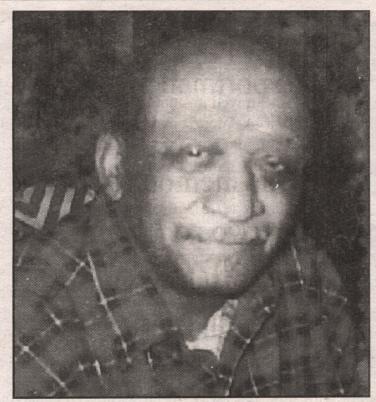
character. be 21:2,8-21. seen that ornaments can worn TEACHING ON TESTAMENT THE OLD with See good

jewels and she went after with her earrings and her "And she decked herself

**JEWELRY** 

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### OBITUARY



PERCY EDWARD WILLIAMS

Mr. Percy Edward Colorado.; Williams, Sr. of Muncie went to be with the Lord Hospital on Monday, November 18, 2002 after an extended illness. A native of Mounds City, Garene and Johnny Williams. He had been a resident of Muncie since the early 1940's. He Mounds City, Illinois ,where he graduated from Douglass High School in 1947. He was in the United States Armed Forces, where he fought in the Korean War and was honorably discharged in 1954. He retired from the Muncie Sanitation Department in 1981. He was a boxer and bowled the Sportsman's Bowling League.

He is survived by his wife Rita Prince ñ Williams of Muncie; a daughter Laversha sons Percy Edward Williams Jr. of Florence,

Devon Williams (Judy) of Muncie. two stepsons from Ball Memorial Bruce Merritt of Muncie and James Prince of two Muncie; stepdaughters, Lanette Prince of Muncie and Illinois, he was the son of Larita Prince (Robert) of three Muncie: grandchildren, Shalena Williams of Muncie; Williams Kevin attended schools in Nashville, Tenn. and Brittiany Simpson of Muncie; three great grand children, Charelle and Jamarr Reese of Muncie; Brittiany Williams of Nashville, Tenn.: five step-grandchildren ,Tierra Wilkerson Indianapolis; Jerry and Jerron Stockett Muncie; Jevelyn Williams of Muncie; Jamie Prince of Muncie; seven brothers William S. Williams of Chicago; Johnny Nathaniel Williams, Williams (Lisa), Jerome (Michell); Williams Williams of Muncie; two Alonzo Williams all of Kansas City, Ks.; two step brothers Robert "Moose"

Moore; Napolian Thomas both of Kansas City, Ks.; five sisters Barbara Williams of Chicago; Marie Johnson (James) of Kansas City, Ks; Katie Williams (Urail) St.Louis; Sadie Williams and Loretta Williams both of Kansas City, Ks.; one sister-in law Lorenza Prince Harrison (George) of Indianapolis, In; two stepmothers Emma Hardaway of Chicago and Naomi Williams Kansas City, Ks. Host of nieces, nephews and other relatives and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents, four brothers, four sisters also his grandmother Georgie Fisk, Mounds City, Illinois; an Aunt Zelma Kelly of Muncie, Aleatha Wright of Muncie and two special friends Walter Charles Thompson, Muncie; Larry "L.J." Moore, Muncie.

His funeral was November 23, 2002 at New Hope Missionary Baptist Church with pastor W.C. Edwards and Charles Coatie giving acknowledgements.He was buried with military honors.

Life's completeness and richness always depends on what we share with loved ones and friends. Your caring and sharing in so many ways lightened our burdens and brightened our days. We are grateful to each of you.

The Prince-Williams Family



Ira (Big Red) Benford Sr.

Mr. Ira Benford Sr. Michael (special friend 78. 1304 Bunch Blvd. Apt. 31, died Wednesday February 26, 2003 at Ball Memorial Hospital. He was a 50 year resident of Muncie, coming her from Greenwood, Mississippi.

Mr. Benford was a WWII Army veteran, a member of True Vine Tabernacle. Holiness retired from Chevrolet Jackson Muncie in 1982, member UAW loval 499, formerly worked at Baystone Construction and Wilhem Construction, and had owned Benford Auto Beauty, Benford Steam Cleaning and Benford Fish Distribtor.

Survivors include four sons, Ira (wife Loraine)Benford, Ricky (wife Patricia) Benford,

Yvonne Shaw) Benford, and Stanley Benford all of Muncie, six daughters Barbara Erving, Diana Dwight) (husband Billingley, Linda (husband Leo) Brown, Jackie Benford, Robin (husband David) Harris all of Muncie and Shirley (husband William) Monrovia, California one sister Mammie McCallister, Attadena, California, 28 grandchildren, 43 great grandchildren, 2 foster grandchildren, and host of nieces and nephews.

Mr. Benford was preceded in death by his parents, wife, four brother, four sisters and tow grandsons.

### RELIGION

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her lover, and forgot me, saith the Lord" Hos.2:13.

"And when thou art spoiled what wilt thou do? Though thou clothest thy self with crimson, though thou deckest thee with ornaments of Gold, though thou rentest thy face with painting, in vain shalt thou make thyself fair. Thy lovers will despise thee, they will seek thy life." Jer. 4:30.

"And furthermore, that ye have sent for men to come from far unto whom a messenger was sent: and lo they come for whom. Thou didst wash thyself, paintest thy eyes, and dekest thyself, with ornaments." Ezek. 23:40; IIKings 9:30.

"And behold, there met him a woman, with subtle of hear." Pro. 7:10.

and make one more attractive. It is somewhat an expression of the pride 3:3,4. of beauty. Isa. 3:16-24

beauty is vain: but a woman that fearth the Lord, she shall be praised." Prob. 31:30.

Peter said: "Whose adorning let it not be that outward adorning of gold, or of putting on apparel; but let it be the hidden the attire of an harlot, and man of the heart in that which is not corruptible. Jewels were used even the ornament of a to enhance one's beauty, meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price." IPet.

The The bible said: revelation gives us a among you and be clean, "Favor is deceitful and picture of how a harlot

dresses. We read: "And the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet colour and decked with gold and precious stones and pearls, having a golden cup in her hand full of abomination and filthiness of her fornication. Rev.

his family to put away their jewels saying: "Then Jacob said unto his household, and to all that were with him, put away of the strange gods that are and change

garments...and they gave unto Jacob all the strange gods which were in their hand, and all their earrings which were in their ears: And Jacob hid them under the oak which was by Shechem." Gen. 35:2,4

What we have just Jacob challenged seen, from the scripture, jewels and paintings were used primarily to attract lovers attention. Traditional guides have been set up to regulate the use of jewelry and make up, in the church.

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### Miss Muncie Black Expo Pageant

For Additional Information, **Please Contact:** Angelia Gordon @ 747-4854

### THANK YOU



Ira (Big Red) Benford

The Family of

### Ira (Big Red) Benford

Would like to take the time to express our appreciation and gratitude to the people of Muncie and surrounding areas, including our out of state friends.

Your thoughtfulness in our time of sorrow was overwhelming with the Food, Cards, Flowers, Money and Prayers.

We do Thank You

A special Thanks to
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A Very Special Thanks to Pastor Wade Sloss and our Spirtual Family at True Vine Holiness Tabernacle

Pray for us.

The Benford Family



**Pastor Tom Allen Streeter** 

New Liberty Baptist Church 1615 North Elgin Street Muncie, In 47303 765-284-8231

Sis. Essie Streeter would like to say thank you to all those who helped celebrate the home going of Pastor Tom Allen Streeter. She along with the New Liberty Church Family would like to say that words cannot express the gratitude and love we feel for all that you did and said during this time of our bereavement. "God, that comforteth those that are cast down," comforted us through you by your show of love.

What ever part you played, what ever contribution you made, we thank you. We thank you for the cards, letters, flowers, prayers, words of comfort and any other show of sympathy that God put in you heart to do, for truly it has been received with much appreciation and thanksgiving. We especially want to thank Bethesda Baptist Church of Anderson, In., for being the host church, and the L.C. May Funeral Services for their spiritual professionalism in service.

Again we say thank you.

Sis Essie Streeter; wife of the late Pastor Tom Allen Streeter.

Decan Jesse Gray; Chairman of the board of the New Liberty Baptist Church

The church that is to little to be big, and to big to be little,
The Church where every body is somebody

### **COMMUNITY CALENDAR**



### **Monthly Community Meetings**

MUNCIE BLACK EXPO; 1306 N. Broadway

3rd Thursday, 5:30 P.M.

Dr. Maria Williams-Hawkins

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Muncie Community School Board; Anthony Administration Building 2nd & 4th Tuesday, 630 P.M.

Robert Kellem; 747-5205

Muncie City Council; City Hall Auditorium 1st Monday, 7:30 P.M.

Chuck Leonard; 741-9625

Muncie NAACP; 1306 N. Broadway 2nd Thursday, 5:00 P.M.

Pat Mitchell-Fields, President

284-7338

Muncie Commission On The Social Status of Black Males; South Madison Community Center;

1st Saturday, 9:00 A.M.

John Young-El; 747-9008

Widow's Son Lodge #22 Masonic Lodge, 1514 E. Willard Street

900 S. Madison St.

2nd & 4th Tuesday, 7:00 P.M.

Bobby Pirtle Sr., Worthy Patron; 759-5290

Naomi Chapter Of The Order of Eastern Star; Masonic Lodge, 1514 E. Willard Street 1st and 3rd Monday, 7:00 P.M.

Alice Elkins, Worthy Matron; 289-9886

Coalition of 100 Women; Kennedy Branch of Public Library 3rd Saturday, 10:30 A.M.

Dr. June Payne, President; 289-2995

Millie P. Hoffman Federated Club Lynd House 2410 E. McGalliard 2nd & 4th Wednesday, 3:00 P.M.

Emma Sue Davis, President;

289-2118

Lucille Lucas Williams Federated Club

2nd Thursday, Rotating Home Meetings

Lula Mann, President; 747-5125

Whitely Neighborhood Council; 1306 N. Broadway 1st Monday, 6:00 P.M.

Randall S. Sims, 212-1188

Industry Neighborhood Council; 1407 S. Wolfe Street

2nd Tuesday

Information Pending

Household of Ruth #4618 Industry Neighborhood Center; 1407 S. Wolfe Street 1st Friday, 4:00 P.M.

Loretta Miller, MNG; 288-6987